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Re: State Transportation Improvement Plan and Seward Highway

Dear Mr. Tolley:

It has come to my attention that the state has recently dropped the Seward Highway improvements south of Potter Section House. The construction of a four-lane divided highway from Potter to Bird is imperative for the safety and well-being of those using the highway. The Seward Highway has become an economic corridor for South Central Alaska. It feeds the tourism industry, fishing, boating, and every manner of outdoor recreation.

Mayor Begich of Anchorage, Mayor John Williams of the Kenai Peninsula Borough, and Mat-Su Borough Mayor Tim Anderson have created a Tri-Borough Commission. The Commission is designed to coordinate policy and advocacy in several areas including transportation, disaster preparedness, health and social services, and visitor industry support and development, all of which will be much better served with the completion of the Seward Highway project. I would hope that this Tri-Commission would be helpful in supporting the divided highway plan as well.

Creating a divided highway will eliminate the possibility of head-on collisions and will significantly reduce accident fatalities as compared to the twisting, blind curves with falling rocks that exist now. The recent four-lane project on Bird flats proved the feasibility of a four-lane roadway and how effective the Alaska Railroad can be in facilitating construction.

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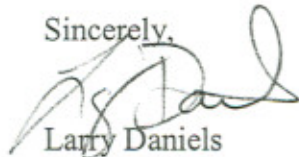
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Please reconsider putting this project back at the top of the STIP list to reduce the summer congestion and delays, and increase the highway safety.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Larry Daniels", is written over the typed name.

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